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The DCI was to be given a briefing on the Special Group either the afternoon of the 19th or the morning of the 20th. In addition, he has been given a set of briefing papers in which there is mention of the Seminar as one of the activities of the Special Group. He was also scheduled to have luncheon with Ambassador Harriman on the 20th and thereafter to attend his final meeting with the Special Group.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director for Support

SUBJECT : Weekly Report of the Office of Training
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1. National Interdepartmental Seminar

CIA's contribution to the 18th Session (5-30 April) of the National Interdepartmental Seminar (NIS) on Counterinsurgency was of uniform high quality and effectiveness. The success in this Session was the culmination of three years of thought and effort by many top-level Agency personnel, including Mr. McCone. It is hoped that we will be able to continue to maintain the same high level of Agency performance in future sessions of the Seminar.

In 1962, the Subcommittee on Training was formed and Mr. Baird, the Agency's Director of Training, was designated a member. The Subcommittee's purpose was to support the Special Group (CI) in its mission of preventing and resisting subversive insurgency and related forms of aggression in free countries. In support of this mission, the Subcommittee established the NIS as an inter-agency training center for officers assigned to key positions both at home and in critical areas overseas. [REDACTED] faculty adviser to the NIS. [REDACTED] excellent performance was singled out for commendation in a special report on the Seminar early this year that was prepared by Foreign

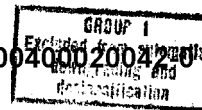
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Service Officer David Nes, at the direction of the Assistant Secretary of State for Administration, Mr. Dwight J. Porter.

Within the Special Group (CI), the principal support for the Seminar has been given by Mr. McCone and by Ambassador Harriman. Consequently, the Agency has provided the main element in the operation of the Seminar. From the beginning, CIA has been insistent that the emphasis be on how subversion can be defeated and insurgency wars won. In addition to providing a full-time faculty adviser, the Agency has supported the Seminar with guest lecturers, conferees and panelists. For example, in this most recent session, twenty-seven CIA personnel participated in the Seminar. This participation was more than that of any other agency, with the number of lecturers being approximately double that of any other agency. The members of the Seminar also spent a full day at the Langley Headquarters. This was an unqualified success and a highlight of the entire four-week Session.

The Seminar has provided an exceptional opportunity to promote understanding of CIA's role among senior level officials of the other participating agencies, many of whom are being posted to missions in the critical areas where they will be in contact with Clandestine Services field personnel. For example, seventy-one of the ninety-two members of the recent Seminar were preparing for immediate duty overseas. Since its inception, one hundred and thirty-seven CIA officers have attended the Seminar.

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2. Briefing the American Society for Industrial Security

At the request of Chief, Physical Security Division, Office of Security,

25X1A [REDACTED] on 12 May 1965 gave an unclassified briefing on "The Role of CIA,"
to members of the Washington Chapter of the American Society for Industrial
Security. There were sixty senior security officials present from industrial
organizations in government agencies in the Washington area. The presenta-
tion was previously endorsed by Mr. Helms and the content approved by the
25X1A Office of Security and [REDACTED] (acting for Paul Chretien).

3. Invitation to Senator Dodd

25X1A Senator Thomas J. Dodd has accepted our invitation to address the mem-
bers of the Midcareer Executive Development Course No. 6 at 10:00 a.m. on
25X1A Tuesday, 1 June. The letter of invitation was prepared by [REDACTED]
25X1A OGC/LC, and signed by Mr. Helms. [REDACTED] is in direct contact with the
Senator with respect to further arrangements. Although details have not yet
been worked out, it is likely that the talk will be given at the Headquarters
Building and that the Senator will be asked to have luncheon with the DCI and/or
the DDCI.

4. Management Seminar

The 9th Senior Management Seminar (4th in the Managerial Grid System
of Management) attended by 36 employees will conclude at [REDACTED] on 25X1A
Friday, 21 May 1965. The employees are in Grades GS-15 through GS-18 and
represent all major components of the Agency. This present class is very

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receptive to the instruction and its performance on test exercises is the best of any Agency class thus far. Taking the four classes as a whole, we understand that Agency performance figures compare favorably with those of the best in industry.

SIGNED

MATTHEW BAIRD
Director of Training

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